



Rockford Area Schools

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- Provide an overview of current technology initiatives
- Review safety and security programs
- Highlight classroom learning systems
- Update the board on cybersecurity governance & infrastructure



Technology Update: Safety, Learning, and Operations

Rockford Area Schools technology program supports:

Student & Staff Safety

- Emergency communications
- Security infrastructure
- Crisis response coordination

Student Learning

- Classroom technology
- Learning systems
- Career & technical education programs

District Operations – Essential Support Services

- Cybersecurity governance
- Infrastructure and networks
- Technology support systems
- Technology levy implementation projects

Partnerships to Support Inter-Agency Coordination



Security and Safety

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Emergency Communications

- Enhanced 911 improvements (RedSky emergency location services)
- 911inform integration

Emergency Response Coordination

- Digital emergency facility mapping
- Partnership with Hennepin and Wright County emergency services

Security systems:

- Security system server and device software updates



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Crisis Management:

- Sandy Hook Promise – Say Something
- Homeland Security/DPS School Safety Center visit
- Classroom emergency communications update (PA system)
- “I Love You Guys” training scheduled for August
- Relocation and Reunification training scheduled for March
- Online staff training for 26-27 being finalized
- District Safety Plan – updated and posted for administrative review.



Classroom Learning

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Digital Hall Pass System - Infinite Campus

- RHS implemented
- RMS deployment scheduled for 4th Quarter

Purpose:

- Improve hallway supervision
- Improve student accountability



Classroom Technology Updates

Instructional Technology Improvements

Classroom technology modernization through Clevertouch installations completed

REAMS cafeteria sound system repaired

RMS cafeteria sound system installation underway

Assessment Support

NAEP testing scheduled March 19

State Reporting

MCCC / Perkins reporting tied to funding

Federal Digital Equity reporting discontinued

Ed-Fi certified



Technology Risk Management & Governance

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Technology is not just devices or networks, Rockford Area Schools technology programs support responsible management of district risk through:

Student Data Protection

- Compliance with FERPA, Minnesota Government Data Practices Act (MN Ch. 13)
- Cybersecurity safeguards protecting student and staff information

Operational Resilience

- Cybersecurity governance standards
- External security audits and monitoring
- Disaster recovery and system continuity planning

School Safety Integration

- Emergency communication systems (Enhanced 911, 911inform)
- Digital facility mapping for first responders
- Coordination with county emergency services

Responsible Stewardship

- Technology levy investments supporting secure infrastructure
- Policy oversight through board governance (Policy 731R)
- Continuous improvement through external partnerships and audits



Essential Support Services

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Cybersecurity Governance Updates

Information Security Policy being updated (Policy 731R)

District cybersecurity governance standards published

Operational security procedures under development

5 year Technology Plan revision under development

1:1 Device Plan revision under development

External cybersecurity audit scheduled for late spring

Goal:

Strengthen protection of student data and district systems.



Inter-Agency support highlights

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Higher Education Collaboration

Metro State University

Cybersecurity risk assessment - November

Technology CTE programs - March

Regional Technology Coordination

ECMECC Security Conference – December

State Technology Leaders Conference – January

Emergency & Public Safety Coordination

ICS Incident Command System training – February

NIMS emergency management training – March

DPS School Safety Center Conference – April

BCA / MN Fusion Center – threat intelligence communications

Hennepin and Wright County Emergency Services



Review and Comment

Rockford Area Schools technology initiatives continue to support:

- Safe learning environments
- Effective classroom instruction
- Reliable district operations

Questions and discussion.



Implementation and Next Steps

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- District Safety Planning
- Cybersecurity governance framework
- Policy 731R update
- Emergency response coordination
- Technology planning
- Technology levy implementation



Thank You.